

## Maryland Legislature Passes State Agency Recycling Law

During Maryland's 2009 Legislative Session, State representatives strengthened Maryland government's recycling requirements by mandating the recycling of certain materials. House Bill (HB) 595 requires State agencies to develop a State agency recycling plan by July 1, 2010, that addresses the placement of collection bins and the recycling of aluminum, glass, paper, and plastic. Each agency and unit of State government must implement this plan by January 1, 2012.

To facilitate the implementation of the plan, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) is working with the Department of General Services (DGS) to include language in all State leasing contracts that mandates that landlords provide

recycling collection at all State leased buildings. Also, MDE's Recycling Unit is available to assist State agencies in developing recycling programs. Contact Christy Bujnovszky for help with your All StAR program.

### 23 Maryland State Agencies Reach 20% Goal

The 1988 Maryland Recycling Act (MRA) requires the development of a recycling plan that reduces the amount of solid waste disposed by State government by at least 20 percent or to an amount that is practical and economically feasible. In no case may the amount to be recycled be less than 10 percent. In 2008, Maryland State Government exceeded the minimum rate and recycled 27.5 percent of the waste generated.

Congratulations to the following agencies for increasing their recycling rate over 2007: MD Public Broadcasting Commission, MD State Archives, MD General

The next All StAR News is scheduled for the Spring/Summer of 2010!



Assembly, St. Mary's College, Morgan State University, MD Automotive Insurance Fund, MD Environmental Service, MD Food Center Authority, Judiciary of MD, MD State Police, MD Insurance Administration and Departments of Agriculture, Natural Resources, Health and Mental Hygiene, Public Safety and Correctional Services, Human Resources, Assessments and Taxation, Education, Veterans Affairs, and Transportation.

A detailed breakdown of the 2008 All StAR recycling activities and additional information on Maryland's 27.5% All StAR Recycling Rate (including a breakdown of each State agency's recycling rate) will soon be posted on MDE's recycling web page at

[www.mde.state.md.us/Programs/LandPrgrams/Recycling/StateAgencies/index.asp](http://www.mde.state.md.us/Programs/LandPrgrams/Recycling/StateAgencies/index.asp).

Have a story idea or specific questions on a topic? Send comments and ideas for future stories to Christy Bujnovszky at [cbujnovszky@mde.state.md.us](mailto:cbujnovszky@mde.state.md.us).

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# Maryland State Agencies' 2008 Recycling Rates

Compiled by the Maryland Department of the Environment from Reports Submitted for Calendar Year 2008


Agency Name	No. of Sites	No. of Sites Reporting	No. of People*	Total MRA 2008 (tons)	2008 MRA Recycling Rate (%)^
Department of General Services	18	18	11,674	720.48	24.59
Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation	13	0	1,218	NR	NR
Department of Agriculture	3	3	266	44.13	37.94
Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission	1	1	212	18	11.00
Comptroller of the Treasury	1	1	850	198.59	71.80
Maryland School for the Deaf	2	2	834	92.60	36.89
Department of Natural Resources	5	1	721	17.60	22.00
Department of Juvenile Services	15	15	2,881	281.97	13.84
Maryland State Archives	1	1	84	2.80	8.24
Department of the Environment	1	1	858	23.35	19.81
Department of Transportation	74	74	25,252	10,381.57	44.30
Department of Health and Mental Hygiene	17	10	7,525	853.29	19.23
Maryland General Assembly	1	1	1,223	89.73	20.38
Dept. of Public Safety and Correctional Services	29	29	35,409	1,864.07	10.63
Department of Human Resources	11	11	4,433	220.77	25.55
Department of Assessments and Taxation	1	1	11	1.00	20.16
University of Maryland System	17	17	128,607	9,223.98	33.22
St. Mary's College of Maryland	1	1	2,567	791.54	42.39
Morgan State University	1	1	8,237	127.84	7.50
Department of Education	4	4	1,839	57.92	21.15
Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund	1	1	408	65.51	36.91
Maryland Stadium Authority	1	1	1,100	308.39	13.51
Baltimore City Community College	1	1	8,251	10.30	3.11
Maryland Environmental Service	1	1	210	16.26	34.26
Maryland Food Center Authority	1	1	1,327	3.00	0.05
Judiciary of Maryland	1	1	142	36.50	61.55
Subsequent Injury Fund Board	1	1	17	1.74	22.14
Department of Veterans Affairs	1	1	657	1.00	40.98
Department of Budget and Management	1	1	210	16.69	38.20
Maryland State Police	26	26	1,614	311.23	32.97
Dept of Business and Economic Development	1	1	580	31.16	23.74
Maryland Higher Education Commission	1	1	72	11.00	29.79
Dept. of Housing and Community Development	1	1	400	202.74	61.90
Maryland Insurance Administration	1	1	283	22.33	36.40
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>249,972</b>	<b>26,049.06</b>	<b>27.49</b>


\* State employees comprise approximately 84,541 of the total number of people working at State Agency Locations.

^ The 1988 Maryland Recycling Act mandates a State Government recycling rate of at least 20%.

**Bold Type** – Satisfied the 20% recycling rate

NR – Did not report

 Not all offices reported

 Recycling Rate greater than previous year



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